**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

**Crl.Misc. No.822-M of 2007**
**Date of Decision:- 19.02.2007**

Partap Singh ....Petitioner(s)

through
Mr.B.R.Gupta, Advocate

vs.

State of Haryana & ors. ....Respondent(s)

through
Mr.R.D.Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

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**CORAM:-HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SURYA KANT.**

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**SURYA KANT, J.**

Reply filed on behalf of the respondents in Court is taken on record.

The prayer in this petition is to direct the respondents to entrust the investigation of case F.I.R.No.98 dated 10.7.2006 under Sections 457, 436 IPC registered at Police Station Kosli to some independent agency.

The aforesaid relief has been sought on the premise that the ongoing investigation being conducted by the local police is not fair, impartial and above-board.

In the written statement though the respondents have controverted the above-noticed allegations; they have, however, come up with the plea that the investigation of the case has already been handed over to CIA, Rewari vide order dated 2.2.2007. Learned counsel for the petitioner, on the other hand, points out that the C.I.A. Wing is also manned by the local police only, therefore, there is every likelihood that the investigation will continue in the same fashion as is being conducted by the local police.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, this petition is disposed of with a direction that the investigation of F.I.R.No.98 dated 10.7.2006 be handed over to the Crime Branch of Haryana Police forthwith and further investigation in the matter be carried out by the said Agency. The investigation shall be completed as early as possible and preferably within three months.

**February 19, 2007** **( SURYA KANT )**
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